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Cynthia B. Jones, Director Department of Medical Assistance Services 600 East Broad Street, Suite 1300 Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Ms. Jones:

We have reviewed State Plan Amendment (SPA) 12-12, 2012 Non-Institutional Reimbursement Methodology Changes in which you propose to amend the State Plan to eliminate the inflation adjustment for home health agency rates and outpatient rehabilitation agencies in FY 2013 and FY 2014. The SPA does not reduce rates but rather carries them forward from the prior period without an inflation increase. The reduction in Federal impact is reflective of the payments if the inflation factors had been implemented.

This SPA is acceptable. Therefore, we are approving SPA 12-12 with an effective date of July 1, 2012. Enclosed are the approved SPA pages and signed CMS-179 form.

If you have further questions about this SPA, please contact Margaret Kosherzenko of my staff at 215-861-4288.

Sincerely,

Francis McCallough
Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures